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SUBJECT: ROK NUCLEAR REPROCESSING

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1. WE APPRECIATE PROMPT ROKG DECISION TO CANCEL REPROCESSING PLANT PURCHASE AND, AS WE INDICATED TO ROKG IN JANUARY 22-24 DISCUSSIONS, ARE NOW PREPARED TO MOVE AHEAD AS DISCUSSED IN SEOUL ON POSITIVE ASPECTS OF OUR FUTURE PEACEFUL NUCLEAR COOPERATION.

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2. CHARGE SHOULD ACCORDINGLY USE EARLIEST AVAILABLE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS TO DPM NAM, MOST MINISTER CHOI AND OTHER SENIOR INTERESTED ROKG OFFICIALS USG APPRECIATION FOR PROMPT, FAVORABLE ROKG DECISION WHICH WILL ENABLE US TO PURSUE OBJECTIVES CONTAINED IN JANUARY 24 SUMMARY RECORD OF DISCUSSIONS. SPECIFICALLY, YOU SHOULD INFORM NAM AND CHOI THAT (A) WE ARE NOW PREPARING THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTATION TO ENABLE THE EXPORT-IMPORT BANK TO RESUBMIT THE KORI-II LOAN FOR CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL; AND (B) WE ARE MOVING AHEAD TO MEET OBJECTIVES FOR PEACEFUL NUCLEAR COOPERATION OUTLINED IN AGREED RECORD OF OUR JANUARY 22-,4 DISCUSSIONS. IN THIS CONNEC-

TION, WE ARE CONSIDERING PROPOSING THAT FURTHER MEETING ENVISAGED PARA 4IOF AGREED RECORD BE HELD IN MID-APRIL. WE WOULD BE WILLING TO CONSIDER HOLDING THESE DISCUSSIONS IN WASHINGTON SHOULD ROKG SO DESIRE.

4. DEPARTMENT ANTICIPATES QUERIES ON REPROCESSING PLANT IN CONTEXT OF CONGRESSIONAL TESTIMONY JANUARY 29 AND 30, IF NOT BEFORE. WE INTEND TO RESPOND(AS ROKGHAS AGREED IN PARA 8 REF A)THAT ROKG HAS OFFICIALLY INFORMED US OF ITS DECISION TO CANCEL FRENCH REPROCESSING FACILITY PURCHASE. KISSINGER

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